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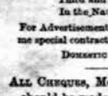
SHIPPING.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.



THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam-ship "ASSYRIA," 1,494 Tons, 200 H.P., Commander J. S. Howell, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 24th Jan. 1874, at 4 P.M.

January 1874.		February 1874.	
Leave BOMBAY	24	Leave Tuticorin	1
„ Ratnagherry	25	„ Colombo	2
„ Vingorla	25	„ Galle	3
„ Goa	26	„ Nezapatam	6
„ Carwar	26	„ Pondicherry	7
„ Mangalore	27	„ Madras	8
„ Cannanore	28	„ Coconada	10
„ Tellicherry	29	„ Vizagapatam	12
„ Calicut	29	„ Bimlipatam	13
„ Beypore	30	„ Gopalpore	13
„ Cochin	30	„ False Point	14
„ Alleppy	30	Arrives at CALCUTTA	16

Cargo for Singapore and China can be booked by the Steamer on this line hence or from intermediate ports for transhipment at Galle to the Messageries Maritime Company's Steamers, which run regularly.

This route is the most expeditious and economical for Passengers for the Neilgherry District, Bangalore, and Madras, who can land at Calicut and proceed from thence by rail. Passengers for Calcutta may take the same route, picking up the steamer at Madras.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF, VIA KURRACHEE.

Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussreh, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at KURRACHEE, GUADUR, MUSCAT, BUNDER ABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, BUSREH, and occasionally at BHAREIN, KOWEIT, and MAHOMERAH.

The s.s. INDIA, 1,080 Tons, 142 H.P., Commander J. Henderson, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 30th January 1874 at 2 P.M.

Jan. 1874.		Feb. 1874.	
Leave BOMBAY	30	Leave BUSREH	18
„ Kurrachee	Feb. 3	„ Mahomerah	18
„ Gwadur	4	„ Koweit	19
„ Muscat	6	„ Bushire	20
„ Bunder Abbas	8	„ Linga	23
„ Bushire	12	„ Bunder Abbas	27
„ Fao	14	„ Muscat	March 1
„ Bahrein	12	„ Gwadur	3
„ Koweit	14	„ Kurrachee	6
Arrive BUSREH	15	Arrive BOMBAY	9

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, will during the fair Season despatch Steamers to Kurrachee every FRIDAY, and an Extra Steamer every MONDAY, at 2 o'clock.

The s.s. EUPHRATES, 810 Tons, 120 H.P. Commander J. Melville, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 23rd January 1874 at 2 P.M.

The s.s. KURRACHEE, 510 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander C. C. D. Hutchinson, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 26th January, 1874, at 2 P.M.

Until further notice the extra steamers leaving Bombay and Kurrachee on every Monday will call at VERAWUL, PORBUNDER, and CUTCH MANDVIE both ways.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE following STEAMERS will have DESPATCH as under :—

S. S. "T-MO " during February.
S. S. "STRATHCLYDE" during March.

They are both fast Steamers, and have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and carry a Surgeon and Stewardess.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

To SUEZ	Rs. 300
„ LIVERPOOL	„ 500

Exclusive of WINES, &c., which can be procured on board at moderate rates.

For Passage and further particulars apply to

GRINDLAY, GROOM, & Co.
FINLAY, MUIR, & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY, *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. R. Rubattino & Co., G. NOJA.

THE REGULAR STEAMERS LEAVE GENOA, on the 24th, and BOMBAY on the 1st of each month.

PASSENGERS RATES.

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	
To Aden	£22	£15	£4	Without food.
Suez	26	22	8	
Port Said	28	24	9	
Alexandria	30	25	9-10	
Messina	50	34	14	Including Wines.
Naples	50	34	14	
Leghorn	50	34	14	
Genoa	50	34	14	
Marseilles (transhipment at Genoa)	52	35	14-10	

Children under 3 years, free of charge. Children not above 10 years, half fare.

EXT STEAMER FROM BOMBAY :—

"ARABIA," to sail on SUNDAY, 1st February 1874.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

For hand-books of information, rates of freight, &c. apply to

C. GRONDONA,
Agent Rubattino Steam Navigation Company,
No. 9 Hummum Street.

Bombay, 1st January 1874.

THE first-class French ship BERRYER, 604 Tons Register, will sail for MAURITIUS at the end of this month. For Freight and Passage apply to Messrs. Eo. Baudry & Co.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Ship LADY EGIDIA, Captain Richards, from Calcutta, are requested to SEND their BOATS, accompanied with BILLS of LADING and FREIGHT, and to TAKE DELIVERY of their respective GOODS as they come to hand, failing which the same will be landed by the Captain at the risk and expense of Consignees. The Vessel will not be responsible in any way for the Goods after they leave the Ship's deck.

J. W. RICHARDS,
Commander and Agent, Ship Lady Egidia.

16th January 1874.

ADVERTISING AT RAILWAY STATIONS.

THE Proprietor of the "Bombay Gazette" Press having leased (among other privileges) from the Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company, and the Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Company, the exclusive right of advertising at all the Railway Stations belonging to those two Companies, is prepared to contract with parties desirous of posting Notices or Advertisements on the lines.

The announcements may be in English or in any of the Native languages.

The advantages which Railway Stations present as a means of bringing intimations of all kinds before the Public have been demonstrated in England by the extensive use which is made by Advertisers, of every description, great and small, along every line in that United Kingdom.

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There is no reason why the privilege should not be also specially valuable to Advertisers in India. Looking to the great and increasing number of Native Railway Passengers on the two trunk lines of Western India, native merchants, traders, &c. seeing that they have the privilege of advertising in their own language, and the publication of their announcement at Railway Stations a decided means of extending their business.

And as nearly ALL TRAVELLERS ARRIVING IN INDIA NOW LAND AT BOMBAY, and proceed by the G. I. P. or B. B. and C. I. Railways to their destination, Placards exhibited at the different Stations on those lines are every day becoming more and more valuable as means of bringing the Advertisers' business to the notice of the Public.

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Persons, according to the taste of Advertisers, may be painted at the "Bombay Gazette" Press.

SHIPPING.

OVERLAND ROUTE.

On Monday, the 26th January, 1874, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. & O Co.'s S. S. MALWA, (2,933 Tons, and 450 H. P.), Captain G. Hyde, R.N.R., will LEAVE for SUEZ, as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, also Passengers and Cargo for that Port, Venice, Marseilles, Southampton, &c.

Cargo can also be booked through to Messina, Naples, Leghorn, Genoa, Trieste, Odessa, Constantinople, Ancona, Havre, Liverpool, London, and New York.

No Cargo can be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

The Company reserve the option of forwarding all Goods shipped by their steamers for Europe, through Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal, in their own steamers, or in vessels employed for the purpose.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon on the day of the Steamer's departure, before 10 A.M., in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock (near) at Mazagon at 3 P.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

GEO. F. HENRY,
Superintendent, P. & O. Company.

Bombay, 19th January 1874.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

On Tuesday, the 27th January 1874, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. and O. Co.'s S. S. DELHI, (2,178 tons and 400 H.P.,) Captain G. Lax, will be despatched as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any chest of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not lodged in the Company's Office before noon, on Saturday, the 24th January.

GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

Bombay, 13th January 1873.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

SUEZ CANAL ROUTE.

It is intended to despatch the Company's Steamers leaving Bombay on the following dates, direct through the Suez Canal to Southampton :—

2nd March 1874.
16th do.
30th do.
13th April 1874.
27th do.
11th May 1874.

PASSAGE MONEY (Exclusive of Liquors).

First Class	Rs. 600
Second Class	„ 300

For further particulars apply to

GEORGE F. HENRY,
Bombay, 3 Rampart Row. Superintendent.

SALES BY AUCTION.

NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS & CO.
40, Meadow Street.

TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, the 21st instant, Messrs. NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at 2 o'clock p.m., at their room, Meadow Street, No. 40, Grey and Coloured Piece Goods, containing :—shirtings, T. Cloths, and Dhotis.

2 Cases Fancy Toys.
19,000 Dawson Cheroots } Trichinopoly.
30,000 Thompson do. }
30 Dozen Italian Wine, Barbera, Barolo, Nebiolo.
1 Case Hollaway Time-pieces of eight days.
1 Case Sparking Bells for Clocks.
On account of the Underwriters :—
V B—B—102 5—2 Cases Look ng Glasses damaged.
„ 23—1 Whips, damaged.

NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS & Co.

Bombay, 20th January 1874.

DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & COMPANY,
No. 13, APOLLO STREET.

AUCTION SALE of the whole of the costly and handsome stock in trade, shop goods and furniture, &c., of the well-known firm of the late Mr. Nancy Parpia, deceased, at the instruction of his executor, at his shop as Byculla, Parell Road.

THIS DAY, TUESDAY, and WEDNESDAY, the 20th and 21st day of January 1874, at 1 P.M. each day, Messrs. DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & Co. are instructed by the executor of the late Mr. Nancy Parpia, deceased, to sell by public auction, the whole of the valuable stock-in-trade, shop goods and furniture, &c., at his establishment, No. 13, Parell Road, Byculla, opposite the Jewish Synagogue; the same consists of almost every variety of household furniture, best plated articles, glass and porcelain ware, almirahs, cabinets, aquail looking-glasses, bedsteads, chairs and carved bedsteads, rich velvet and Wilton carpets, circular, pier, side, and dining tables, drawing-room chairs and couches, teapoys, chests of drawers, cheval glasses and Wardrobes, English and carved whatnots, writing, folding, dressing and wash-hand tables, engravings in gilt and maple frames, &c., all

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

MONDAY, 19TH JANUARY.

In Sterling Exchange our quotations are almost unaltered, the rates of Saturday being very much the closing rates for the mail.

In Government Securities there is no improvement in values.

Bank Bills, 6 months' sight .....1s. 11¼d. to 9/16d.
Bank Bills, 3 months' sight.....1s. 11½d. to 9d.
Bank Bills, on demand.....1s. 11 9/16d. to 1d.
Documents, 6 months' sight.....2s. 0¼d.
Credit Bills, 6 do. .....1s. 11¼d. to 15/16d.
Documents, 3 do. .....1s. 11½d.
Credit, 3 do. .....1s. 11¾d.

On Calcutta Bank Bills, 60 days' sight. 99¾ to ¼.
Do demand ..... 100¼ to 5/16.

On Madras 30 days' sight 99¾
Do, demand..... par

On China House Bills, 60 days' sight. 216 to 217.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Five-and-a-half per cent. ... ...106¾ nomal.
Four & half per cent. 102
Four per cent. 101
New French Loan 5 per cent, fully paid up of 1871 and 1872 .....¼ per cent. prem.
New French Loan instalment paper of 1872 ...¼ ,, ,,
Paris Municipal Loan (Debenture Rs. 117) per Bond.....113 ex coupon.

Rates of discount at New Bank of Bombay—

Loans on Government Paper on demand	6	per cent	
Fixed Loans on	do.	to 3 months'	7½ ,,
Do.	do.	over 3 do.	8½ ,,
Do.	on Merchandise		9½ ,,
Cash Credit	do.	to 3 months'	8½ ,,
Do.	do.	over 3 do.	8½ ,,
Do.	do.	.....	9½ ,,
Bank Bills			8½ ,,
Mercantile Paper			8 ,,

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns, each ... ...Rs. 10-12
Carolus ... ... ,, 236
Mexican Dollars ... ... ,, 222
Francs ... ... ,, 196
Bar silver... ... ... ,, 107½
Gold Leo ... ... ,, 17-2½
Bar Gold 10 ct. English 100 touch ... ... ,, 17-1
Australian Gold ... ... 100 touch ... ... ,, 17

FREIGHT REPORT.

MONDAY EVENING.

Rates by steamers to Liverpool are declining. By ship they are advancing.

London	Cotton ..... Cases ..... Seeds	No ship
Liverpool	Iron Ships Cotton	£2 10s. 0d.
	Wooden Ships ,, ...	£2 10s. 0d. nominal.
	Myrabollams	£2 5s. 0d.
	Coir bills	£1 10s.
	Seeds	£2 5s. 0d.
Havre ...	Cotton ..... Coffee	No ship.
Overland Steamers—		
London		£3 8s. 0d.
Venice		£3 0s. 0d.
Trieste		£3 2s. 0d.
Liverpool		£3 2s. 6d.
Havre Cotton		£3 10s. 0d.
Liverpool via Suez Canal ...	Wheat	£2 17s. 6d.
	Seeds	£2 17s. 6d.
	Cotton	£2 17s. 6d. to £2 16s. 3d.
Shanghai ...	Steamer Cotton	Rs. 20 per ton.
	Opium	Rs. 25 to 30 per chest.
	Sailing ships	Rs. 4 per bale nominal
Calcutta ...	Salt	Rs. 4 per ton.
Calcutta to Bombay		Rs. 15 port charges.
Mauritius		Nothing doing.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

MONDAY, 19TH JANUARY.

Market weak; rates unchanged.

BANKS.

No. of Shares	Nominal value per sh.	Paid up.	Last dividend.	Names.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
100,000	100	all	9 p.ct.	Agra Bank	90
72,000	1,000	all	7½ pct.	Bank of Bengal	1,460
40,000	500	all	12 pct.	Do of Bombay New ...	755
16,000	500	100	12 p.ct.	Do 2nd Res..issue	281½
8,250	1,000	all	8 p.ct.	Do of Madras	1,120
10,000	250	all	8 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk of I. L. & China ...	265
40,000	281½	all	12 pct.	Hong. & Shanghai Bank	420 nl
40,000	200	all	5 pct.	Chartered Bk. of I. & C.	200
10,000	250	125	6 p.ct.	National Bank of India.	120
16,000	250	all	12 do	Oriental Bank	495

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

.....	£20	21½-20	p.c	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	234 ex d.
.....	£20	10½-10¾	do.	Do. New £20 Shares	126
.....	£20	4½-10¾	do.	Ditto	
.....	£100	1,000	do.	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co.	1,125
.....	£18	19⅝-9-1	do.	Do. New Shares	

LAND COMPANIES.

4,000	3,000	all	Rs. 60	Colaba Land C	1,380
5,000	150	all	Nil.	Frere Land & Pier Co., Ld.	114
750	2,000	2,000	20p.c.	Mazagon Land	960
6,000	1,000	all	15p.c.	Port Canning Land Company, Limited	385

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

620	1,250	all	112½-a	Alexandra Spinning	1,540
500	2,500	all	140*	Alliance Spinning	2,800
300	2,000	all		Bhownuggur M. & P. Co.	1,275
900	1,000	all	60*	Bombay United	1,330
1,600	150	150	25*	Broach Mills	285
2,500	2,000	all	90p.	Dhurumsey Spinning.....	1,775
750	2,000	all	200p.	Great Eastern	2,650
750	1,000	all		Jeevraj Ballo Mills	1,315
1,500	1,000	all	75 p.a	Manockji Petit's	1,340
900	1,000	all	100p.a	Morarjee Spinning	1,310
960	2,500	a l	150p.a	Oriental	3,900
600	2,500	400	200p.a	Royal	2,275
500	1,000	all	...	Soonderdas Spinning.....	1,750

* Per share for the half-year.

PRESS COMPANIES.

154	5,000	2,850	160 p.a	Akbar Cotton Press Co...	1,500
203	2,000	1,100	150do	Albert Co. Kurrachee.....	900
100	500	all	15 p.c.	Albert Ginning Co.....	500
250	3,000	85	Nil.	Alexandra Press Co.....	215
154	12,000	1,500	100p.a	Apollo Press Co.....	5,500
200	2,500	all	*...	Berar Cotton G. & P. Co.	1,480
200	2,000	all	200p.	Bombay Press Co.....	860
300	500	all	50 p.a	Do New.....	275
350	1,000	1,000	100 p.a	Broach Cotton Co	520
100	1,500	...	...	Carwar Company.....	900
300	1,800	all	40	Colaba Press Co.....	3,800
350	9,000	all	250p.a	East India Press Co.....	2,700
150	5,000	all	500 *	Fort Press Co,.....	4,700
400	2,000	1,800	75 p.a	Framji Cowasji Press Co	430
200	1,000	all	70 p.c	French Press Co	655
300	5,000	1,467	75 p.a	Imperial Press Co.....	775
350	400	350	60 p.a	Mofussil Press & G. Co.	560
600	2,000	5 00	...	Nicol Press Manuf. Co., Ld	1,900
120	2,500	750	125 p.a	Prince of Wales Press....	1,900
200	1,000	all	...	Sassoon's Press Co.....	850
400	850	750	135 p.a	Scinde Press Co.....	515
100	1,000	750	...	Scinde and Punjab Cotton Press Co., Limited.	1,135
127	1,500	1,250	Rs. 80	Victoria Press, Madras..	1,175
115	850	all	80 pa.	Vic. Cot. Gin & Press Co.	850
486	1,000	all	80 pa*	Volkart United Press Co.	925

* Per share for the half year.

MISCELLANEOUS.

.....	2,500	1,500	135p.a.	Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation	1,350
1,200	50	al	44p.c.	Bombay Gas Company ...	65
500	500	300	15 pa.	Lending and Shipping Co. of Kurrachee Ld...	102
2,150	200	100	8 p.c.	Malabar Company Ld....	100
4,000	50	all	1½ pa.	Mechanics' Build'g Co...	26
.....	500	all	45 pa.	Preacher & Co	420
.....	750	all	10 pa.	Vegas Patent Slip Co ...	48

BANKS IN LIQUIDATION.

	Date of L'dation.			
.....	95	19½	...	Bank of China..... 1
.....	250	2	Mar. '69	Central Bank..... 1
.....	...	...	...	East India Bank 1
.....	200	15	Feb. '67	Indian Peninsula..... 1
.....	200	70½	May '67	Royal Bank 0

SALES AND PURCHASES.

PIECE GOODS.

The business done yesterday has, in consequence of the departure of the Overland Mail, been very small and there is no alteration in prices. The following sales are reported to have been made by European firms yesterday :—

1,000	pieces	Grey Shirtings	40 in.	39 yds.	7 lbs.	at Rs.	4	4 0
500	,,	,, ,,	40 ,,	39 ,,	7 ,,	at ,,	4	5 0
1,250	,,	,, ,,	40 ,,	39 ,,	8½ ,,	at ,,	5	2 0
600	,,	,, Printers	26 ,,	30 ,,	3½ ,,	at ,,	2	7 0
2,200	,,	T. Red Mulls	40 ,,	39 ,,		at ,,	3	7 6

COTTON.

Reuter's of the 17th reports the Liverpool market closing heavy, with Surats depressed. Besides a decline of 1/16d. per lb. in Mid Orleans, which now stands at 8¾d., we have no change to report in prices. Sales amount to 10,000 bales only, of which 2,500 are Surats. The Cotton Market here continues very dull, and about 400 candies have changed hands at a further fall of Rs. 2 to Rs. 3 per candy. The following are closing quotations :—

New Comrawuttee (Feb. delivery).....	Rs.	195	to Rs. 196
,, Akote ,, ,, ...	,,	197	to ,, 198
,, Broach M. G. (March ,,)	,,	219	to ,, 220
,, Hinguughaut (Jan. ,,)	,,	232	to ,, 233
,, Dholleral (April ,,)	,,	179	to ,, 180
Old Dholleral.....	,,	165	to ,, 170
,, Sawginned.....	,,	177	to ,, 179
,, Vingorla.....	,,	166	to ,, 168

The following purchases are reported to have been made by European firms yesterday :—

50	candies	New Barsee	at Rs. 178-88
50	,,	,, ...	at ,, 190
200	,,	,, Hinguughaut	at ,, 230
75	,,	Dholeras (April delivery)	at ,, 180-82
75	,,	,, ...	at ,, 182½
25	,,	Khandesh	at ,, 169
25	,,	Old Sawginned	at ,, 174

YARNS.

No sales are reported.

METALS.

Nothing has been done yesterday.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
19	Benton	Elliott	Liverp ol. Aug. 31.
	Good Hope (s)	Bainton.....	London Dec. 14.
	Sir J. R. Carnac (s) ..	McNeil.....	Goa, Jan. 17.
	Euphrates (s)	Melville.....	Kurrachee, Jan. 16.
	Annot Lyle	Yeo.....	Liverpool, Sept. 27.

DEPARTURES.

Jan.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
19	Penang (s)	Stewart	Kurrachee.
	Sunda (s)	Challard	Southampton.

The ship St. Hilda, Kennedy, to Galle, obtained her port clearance yesterday.

The following vessels were entered out for loading yesterday :—
Steamer Arabia, to Genoa, &c.
Steamer Sir J. R. Carnac, to Coast and Goa.
Barque Bushire Merchant, to the Andaman Islands.

GALLE.

Jan.
ARRIVAL.
16 Cathay (s)..... ..... Aden.

DAILY IMPORTS.—19TH JANUARY.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Muriel, s, 99 kegs lead ore, Ruttonjee Jewraj.
Caradoc, s, 4 casks beer, Joseph Soarez.

FROM LONDON.

Coromandel, s, 10 cases gin, Jamsetjee Nowrojee.
Lorne, s, 15 barrels coal pitch and 10 barrels tar, S. S. Narrelwala.
Strathclyde, s, 50 cases brandy, Jamsetjee Nowrojee.
Athol, s, 15 cases brandy and 5 cases old tom, C. Bounevialle & Co.
Yeddo, s, 10 cases brandy, Adaseer Cursetjee Dady & Co.
Virago, s, 5 cases tobacco, Sumsoodin Cassumjee.

FROM BORDEAUX.

Susanne, 50 cases brandy, Jamsetjee Nowrojee; 3 hogsheads brandy, Nowrojee Ardaseer & Sons.
Esperance, 4 hogsheads brandy, Nowrojee Ardaseer & Sons.

DAILY EXPORTS.—19TH JANUARY.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Mistress of the Seas, 56 bales cotton, Shamjee Veerjee.
Lady Allan, 100 bales cotton, G. Shamjee.
Benefactress, 223 cwts. myrabolams, R. Angus & Co; 200 bales cotton, Kwart, Latham & Co; 250 bales cotton, Campbell Mitchell & Co.
W. B. Aikinson, s, 499 bags linseed, Scondardas Mooljee; 24½ cwts. hemp, Muthooradas Nuthoo; 130 bales cotton, Richard Martin & Co; 24 bales skins, Joosub Hajee Gunnee; 127 bags rice, Hurjeevan Narrotum; 50 bales wool, Nowrowanjee Manuckjee & Co.
Dunraven, s, 600 bags wheat, Ebram Lutiff; 600 bags wheat, Hajee Hassum Hajee Meetha; 40 bales wool, Coovarjee Nursey; 32 bales wool, Nundram Bhojraz; 1,200 packages wet dates, Pranjeewundas Hurjeewundas.
Lorne, s, 40 bales wool, Dewjee Govindjee; 51 bales wool, Cullianjee Govindjee; 38 bales cotton, Madowjee Mohanjee; 19 bales cotton, W. and A. Graham & Co; 50 bales cotton, Lyon & Co; 150 bales cotton, W. Nicol & Co.
Muriel, s, 350 cwts. hemp, Muthooradas Nuthoo; 250 bales cotton, Mcoljee Liladhur; 250 bales cotton, Dayal Jairaz; 16 bales cotton, Grendon Tippet & Co; 125 bales cotton, Gordhundas Khatow.
South Tyne, s, 1,375 cwts. wet dates, Liladhur Khirpal; 25 cases ginger, Vulubdas Vundravandas.

FOR TRIESTE.

Stamford, s, 250 bales cotton, Greadon Tippet & Co.
Malwa, s, 50 bales cotton, Ritchie, Steuart & Co.

FOR VENICE.

Malwa, s, 150 bales cotton, Ritchie, Steuart & Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Malwa, s, 1,805 bags teel seed, Finlay, Scott & Co.
Arabia, s, 500 tags gingelly seed, Alsen, Ritchie & Co.

FOR GENOA.

Arabia, s, 100 bales cotton, Volkart Brothers; 100 bales cotton, L. Jahier & Co; 500 bales cotton, G. Sigg & Co; 100 bales cotton, Ritchie, Steuart & Co.

FOR NAPLES.

Arabia, s, 1,000 bales cotton, The Austrian Trading Co; 400 bales cotton, Volkart Brothers & Co.

MILITARY

ARRIVALS.—JANUARY 16.

Farrell, Surgeon, Royal Artillery, on duty, from Ahmedabad.

JANUARY 17.

Davies, Major, Staff Corps, from furlough, from England.
Swiney, C ptain, 17th Bengal Cavalry, from furlough, from England.
Holroyd, Major, Bengal Staff Corps, from furlough, from England.
Grey, Captain, Bengal Staff Corps, from furlough, from England.

JANUARY 18.

Case, Veterinary Surgeon, Bengal Royal Horse Artillery, on medical certificate, from Mecan Meer.
Johnstone, Deputy Surgeon General, Indian Medical Department, on duty, from Cabul.
Hunter, Surgeon Major, Staff, from furlough, from England

JANUARY 19.

Nicholetts, Lieutenant, 5th B. N. L. I., to appear before a medical board, from Belgaum.

DEPARTURES.—JANUARY 18.

Farrell, Surgeon, Royal Artillery, on duty, to Ahmedabad.

JANUARY 19.

Martin, Major, Bengal Staff Corps, on duty, to Rawul Pindee.
Evan, Surgeon Major, Madras Medical Department, on duty, to Ellichpoor.
Durrant, Veterinary Surgeon, Royal Artillery, on duty, to Bhowanl.
Ward, Captain, Bengal, Dy. Asst. Adjutant General for Musketry, from leave, to Umballa.
Swanson, Major, Royal Artillery, to rejoin, to Poona.

NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCES ORDERS.

(*Government Gazette, N. W. Provinces, Jan. 17.*)

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

The undermentioned officer has been granted leave of absence :—
Mr F Niblett, Depy Colr, Benares, privilege leave for three months, with effect from the 1st Jan 1874.
His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased to make the following promotions :—
Mr J R Reid, Settlement Officer, from 3rd to 2nd grade, with effect from 1st Jan 1874.
Mr W H Smith, Settlement Officer, from 3rd to 2nd grade, with effect from 1st Jan 1874.
His honor the Lieutenant-Governor is pleased to direct the following transfers :—
Mr J H Shilling, Depy Colr of Bustee, to Benares, during the absence on leave of Mr Niblett, or until further orders.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments :—
Mr R Gun, Extra Asst Comr, to officiate as Senior Asst Comr, Gurhwal, during the absence on leave of Maj J Fisher, or until further orders.
Mr C Donovan to officiate as Joint Magt and Depy Colr 2nd grade.
Mr A Robinson to revert to his substantive appointment of Asst Magt and Colr.
From 4th Nov 1873, the date on which Mr C W Mellor returned from privilege leave—
Mr W Barry to officiate as Joint Magt and Depy Colr, 2nd grade;
Mr R S Aikman to revert to his substantive appointment of Asst Magt and Colr.
From the 7th Nov 1873, the date on which Mr R Wall resumed charge of the office of Magt and Colr, Jounpore—
Mr A C Tupp to officiate as Joint Magt and Depy Colr, 2nd grade;
Messrs G R C Williams (on privilege leave) and W E Kinsey to revert to their substantive appointments of Asst Magts and Colrs.
From 10th Nov 1873, the date on which Mr G E Ward returned from privilege leave—
Messrs M o Ho ell and W Barry to revert to their substantive appointments as Joint Magt and grade, and Asst Magt and Colr, respectively.
Mr W R Tucker, Extra Asst Comr, 4th Class, to officiate as an Asst Comr, Sea Coast, during the absence of Mr Sturt on privilege leave, or until further orders.
His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased to make the following postings :—
Mr R Evans, Asst Magt and Colr, to Cawnpore.
Mr F Whitley, Under Secy to Govt, N-W Provinces, who reported his return from furlough on 15th Dec 1873, to officiate as Joint Magt and Depy Colr of the 1st grade, and to be posted to the Muttra District.
The promotion of the undermentioned officers of the Jhansie Commission to the grades noted opposite their names, to have effect from the 5th Nov 1870, the date from which Mr J Alone was confirmed in the appointment of Sub-Judge and Judge of the Small Cause Court, Agra :—
Mr F J White, Asst Comr, First Class.
Mr W R A Jones, Asst Comr, Second Class.
Mr R H Hoey, Asst Comr, Third Class.
Mr H B Isaac, Asst Settlement Officer of the 2nd grade, to be Asst Settlement Officer of Banda.
The services of Mr E H Henry C S, are placed at the disposal of the Govt of the Punjab.
His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased to permit the retirement from the service of the undermentioned officer :—
Mr V Bathgate, Sub-Judge and Judge of the Small Cause Court Agra, has been permitted to retire from the service of Govt, from the 5th Nov 1870.

JUDICIAL (CRIMINAL) DEPARTMENT.

Mr L Verneuve, Assistant Inland Customs Department, Burhpoor & Zillah Asseer, to be a special Mag under Section 42 of the Criminal Procedure Code and to be invested with the powers of a Mag of the Third-Class : to be exercised within the portion of the Etawah Dis rict lying to the south of the River Jumna.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Mr F FitzJames, Ex Engr, 2nd grade, is posted to the Muttra and Hattrass Light Railway.
Mr E Douglas, Asst Engr, 3rd grade, is posted to the Etawah Dhurmon Ganges Canal, which appointment he joined on the 20th Nov 1873.

PUNJAB ORDERS.

(*Punjab Gazette*, Jan. 15.)

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Mr J C Doran, Officiating Tutor to H H the Nawab of Bhawalpore, is confirmed in that appointment, with effect from the 1st July 1872.
The undermentioned Civil and Military Officers have been declared by the Central Committee of Examination to have passed the prescribed examination in Pushtu :—
Capt T J C Plowden, Asst Comr, with great credit.
Lieut J A L Montgomery, Asst Settlement Officer, with credit.
Mr W Jenkyns, Asst Comr, with credit.
Capt R G G Hastings, Settlement Officer.
Mr H B Beckett, Asst Comr.
Mr R St G Tucker, Offg Settlement Officer.
Mr C Brown, Asst Dist Supt of Police.
Lieut C J R Fulford, 28th P N I.
Lieut A Jobling, H M's 54th Regt.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

The services of the Revd G W Manson having been placed at the disposal of this Govt, he is directed to proceed to Moultan and continue to be Chaplain of H M's 9 and Highlanders.
The services of the Revd W W Nicholls having been placed at the disposal of this Govt, he is appointed Chaplain of Kasauli, with effect from such date as he may receive charge of his duties.
The services of the Revd W J Hunt having been placed at the disposal of this Govt, he is appointed Chaplain of Sabathu.
Capt H J Lawrence, Asst Comr, is posted to the Jullundhur District.
Lieut-Col H P Babbage, Depy Comr, Karnal, is invested with the powers described in section 36 of the Code of Criminal Procedure.
Mr H W Steel, Asst Comr, is appointed to the charge of the outpost of Kasur, in the Lahore District.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Leave of absence for forty days, from the 14th Feb 1874, or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of it, is granted to Col J P W ampbell, Comdt, 1st Sikh Infantry, to visit Bombay, preparatory to furlough, dated 16th Dec 1873.
The following Order is confirmed :—
Koha Statis-n Order, dated 15th Dec 1873, appointing Surg J Lloyd, relieved by Surgn-Maj H Thom of the medical charge of the 3rd Punjab Infantry, to the medical charge of the Peshawur Mountain Battery, and the Garrison Company of Artlery.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Mr T J Farrel, Asst, 4th grade, attached to the 2nd Division, Umballah and Lahore Road, is permitted to resign his appointment in the Public Works Department, with effect from this date.
Mr B G Wallis, Asst Engr, from the 3rd Division, Lahore and Peshawur Road, to the 2nd Division, Lahore and Peshawur Road.
Mr Wallis left the former Division on the 17th Nov, and joined the latter on the 18th idem.
Capt P Lambert, s s, Ex Engr, 2nd grade, having reported his return at Lahore from leave, is posted to the Derajat Division.
Mr T W Knowles, Ex Engr, 2nd grade, from the Derajat Division, to the 2nd Division, Umballah and Lahore Road.
Lieut H G Rainhardt, s s, Asst Engr, 2nd grade, is posted to the Delhi Division, Western Jumna Canal, which he joined on the forenoon of the 22nd idem.
Mr T J P Jeffery, Asst Engr, 2nd grade, from the Delhi Division, to Office of Supdg Engr over Western Jumna Canal.
Mr E L Lang, Asst Engr, 2nd grade, left the 2nd Division and joined the 1st Division, Sirhind Canal, on the forenoon of the 1st Dec 1873.

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

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BOMBAY.

BIRTH.

COOKE—January 13th, at Camp Niphar, in the Nassick Districts, the wife of H. R. Cooke, Bombay Civil Service, of a daughter.

DEATH.

HENESEY—January 17th, at Byculla Iron Works, Henrietta, the beloved wife of Mr. Richard Henesey, aged 20 years.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

CHATELIER—January 13th, at Calcutta, the wife of Mr. E. J Chatelier, of a son.
DUBOIS—January 17th, at Royapooram, the wife of the Reverend E. H. DuBois, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

GLOSER—HOWES—January 15th, at St. John's Church, by the Rev. Mr. Etty, Mr. Henry John Gloser, to Anne Emily Glass Howes, only surviving daughter of the late William Mobins Howes.
RACLEAN—CONNOLLY—January 12th, at Calcutta, at the Roman Catholic Cathedral, by the Rev. C. Cesary, Francis Herbert Maclean, Superintendent of Salt Excise, Shahabad, fifth son of the late John Spencer Maclean, Esq., of Bally, and grand nephew of the late General Sir Hector Maclean, K.C.B., of the Madras Army, to Margaret Ellen, of Portman Square, London, second daughter of the late Peter Connolly, Esq., Solicitor of the Court of Queen's Bench, Westminster.

The Bombay Gazette.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 1874.

We publish this morning the despatch to which we referred a few days ago, from the Government of Bombay to the Government of India, strongly recommending that the construction of the first section of the Ajmere line northwards from Ahmedabad should be entrusted to the Bombay and Baroda Railway Company. Colonel Kennedy has, in this despatch, placed himself thoroughly in accord with public opinion in the Bombay Presidency; and his argument in favour of the course he advocates is simply irresistible. Since there must be, unhappily, a break of gauge somewhere on the Rajpootana line, it will cause the least degree of inconvenience if it be made at Pahlunpoor, the point of junction for the future line to Deesa and Hyderabad. The nature of the country, too, from Pahlunpore southwards to Ahmedabad, being an open plain, gives but a slight advantage, in point of economy of construction, to the metre gauge. Colonel Hancock estimates that the excess in first cost of a standard gauge line will not be more than from £1,000 to £1,200 a mile; and he points out that this will be compensated by the savings the B. B. and C. I. R. Company will effect by using up their surplus material and working the line after it is made with very little addition to their existing rolling-stock. As, however, the direction of the whole section from Ahmedabad to Pahlunpore has not yet been settled, the Bombay Government contents itself with backing up Mr. Currey's modest request that the B. B. and C. I. Company should be allowed to proceed at once with the construction of the 37 miles from the Saburmuttee to Meysana, about which there is no dispute.

We cannot suppose that the Government of India will refuse to agree to this proposal. As Colonel Kennedy says, "there is a feeling "on the part of the public, and mercantile community of this Presidency, that the question "of the early construction of this line of railway has not hitherto received the attention that "its great importance merits;" and it is quite certain that the severe strain on the finances caused by the famine will make the Government of India shrink for a long time to come from beginning this work on its own account. Unless, therefore, we are to have further indefinite delays, the assistance of the B. B. and C. I. Company must be called in; and the sooner it is called in the better.

We are glad that Colonel Kennedy has taken advantage of this opportunity to put on record once more, on behalf to the Government of Bombay, an energetic protest against the policy which has made a break of gauge inevitable between Bombay and Agra. "This is one of "the main arterial lines of India, and forms "a side of the great triangle whose angles "are at Bombay, Allahabad, and Agra. It is "difficult, then, to over-rate the importance to "Bombay of connecting Ahmedabad with Agra "by rail, as at present the trade of the place is "very greatly hampered by the high G. I. P. "tariff—a tariff which is forced on that Com"pany by the difficulties of their line as regards "curves, gradients, and ghaut inclines, and "consequent high cost of haulage." What the Government has done, therefore, has been to create an artificial barrier to trade on the only naturally easy road from Bombay to Upper India. But the break of gauge may do serious mischief to the country in various ways. Only within the last few days we have had a striking illustration of its disadvantages in reference to the famines which periodically afflict some part or other of India. In the present emergency in Bengal, the Government of India telegraphed a few days ago to know what rolling-stock could be spared from the Bombay railways for the carriage of grain in the famine-stricken districts. The G. I. P. and B. B. and C. I. Companies have offered, in reply, to lend the Government of India 500 waggons each, total 1,000, for some months, to carry grain. This is in addition to the waggons which, in the ordinary course of traffic, would go through to Bengal with grain. Now, it is only a few years since a dearth fell on the very districts of Rajpootana through which the railway from Ahmedabad to Agra will run. At that time, in 1869-70, the Bombay and Baroda Company, to alleviate the famine, brought a large quantity of grain to Ahmedabad, whence, the railway going no further, it found its way as it best could into the districts to the north. Most of this grain came from the G. I. P., and some of it had been carried from the N. W. Provinces and Oudh, in the same East Indian Railway waggons, all the way to Guzerat via the G. I. P. It is not going too far to say that, had Rajpootana at that time been served by a railway of the standard gauge, on which grain could have been carried without breaking bulk in East Indian waggons from Agra and in B. B. and C. I. waggons from Ahmedabad, the famine would have done comparatively little mischief. But when the next famine breaks out in Rajpootana, from what quarter will the narrow gauge State railway get an extra supply of rolling-stock wherewith to carry food to the starving people? The line will be blocked at both ends with stores of grain, for the carriage of which the independent resources of the narrow gauge line will be miserably inadequate; and the people will find they have paid for a railway which can be of very little use to them in the time of their sorest need. Unfortunately, there is no remedying the evil now in Rajpootana; but we believe the Government of India is aware of the mistake that has been made, and that it will not be repeated in other parts of the country, for we hear, on tolerably good authority, that it is likely the Indus Valley line will after all be made on the standard gauge.

THE formation of Clubs in England has, in the last few years, quite altered the state of society, and benefited the lonely bachelors of our great cities. With mammas and daughters they are not so popular, for these points of convergence are places of resort where the papas and younger sons spend much of that time which these ladies assert ought to be passed in their society. The consequence is that the fair sex resent the introduction of a system which they allege tends to destroy the ancient love of home and domestic life which was so characteristic of the John Bulls of a more pastoral age. But Clubs have now taken deep root; and every man who can afford £30 or £40 donation and an annual subscription of £8 or £10 gets himself put up to ballot, and, if he runs the gauntlet of election by secret voting successfully, he finds himself the member of an institution the domestic arrangements and social economy of which can compare with those of the palaces of kings and nobles. Ladies seldom recollect that Clubs have proved a great social benefit to them and also to husbands given to company keeping. In former days the chief hotel in the country town did duty as the gathering place for the gentlemen of the neighbourhood, and the taverns of London also were used for the purpose of réunions. These were public places of muster, and the result was that swarms of very questionable characters clustered round those gentlemen who frequented these too often only open pot-houses. The male or female society into which husbands and young men were thus thrown had evils which it is needless for us to enlarge upon, and the cost of luncheon, dinner, and wine was regulated upon a scale of unexampled extravagance. The object of the Club of the present day is to confer mutual and real advantages on its members. The greatest care is taken to exclude undesirable persons; and the cuisine and wine arrangements, being watched over by a committee, a secretary, and a steward, are sure to be good and the prices exceedingly moderate.

Clubs have great advantages and pleasures: amongst them, they may be classed the bringing socially together of persons who take an interest in public questions involving matters of politics, science, art, history and polite literature, and such like. There is nothing educates the mind so quickly as an interchange of ideas and views by personal intercourse in friendly and accidental meeting. Club life essentially assists in teaching a man not to over-estimate his own knowledge or merits. It, moreover, leads him to discount much of the high opinion he had formed as to his own attainments in various branches of learning, for when man meets man upon the soft but broad platform of the Club coffee room carpet, in the smo

the fund. A handicap. H. F. for all horses that have started during the meeting and never won. Entrance Rs. 20. One mile.

	st. lbs.	
Mr. Daniell's ...b w g Bayard	11 13	Owner ... 1
Mr. Maitland's ...b a h Lancelot	11 0	Owner ... 2
Mr. Harrison's ...g a h Star of the South	10 7	Owner ... 3

It was generally thought that the Waler had been let in too cheap, and the result proved that the public were right. The distance was not quite long enough for Lancelot, and he only managed after a good race to secure second honours. Had the distance been somewhat longer the order of finishing might have been reversed.

FOURTH DAY, SATURDAY, 3RD JANUARY 1874.

1st RACE.—The Makeshift Purse—Rs. 100 from the fund. For all horses that have not started during the meeting. Weight for inches 14 hands to carry 9 st. 6 lb. Half-a-mile. Entrance Rs. 10.

	st. lbs.	
Capt. Seton's ...b c b h O. D. V.	10 10	Mr. Miles ... 1
Mr. Pottinger's b c b g Katty	11 4	Mr. Abbott.. 2
Mr. Bank's ...g a h Bobby	10 0	Mr. Lambert 3
Mr. Pottinger's g r b m Beema	11 12	Mr. Maitland 0
Mr. Smith's ...g a h Bagheer (late Sniffer)	10 10	Mr. Harrison 0
Mr. Smith's...gr bh Fatboy, late Gridiron	10 8	Native ... 0

A capital race. Bobby was favourite. Katty also had many supporters. O. D. V. had none. Katty showed well to the front from the start and about twenty lengths from home looked like a winner. Just at the finish, however, the despised outsider came up with a splendid rush and beat Katty on the post by a head Bobby third, all the rest well up. Exciting race for last place between Bagheer and Fatboy.

2ND RACE.—The Jacobabad Cup.—Rs. 250 from the fund. For all horses. Weight for age and class raised 3 st. 7 lbs. Over about 3 miles of fair hunting country. Entrance Rs. 30.

	st. lbs.	
Mr. H. Hogg's b a h Sillidar	10 13	Owner ... 1
Mr Abbott's ...g a h Benfy	10 13	Owner ... 2
Mr. Daniell's ...b w g Bayard	12 10	Owner ... 0
Mr. Loch's...b a h Euclid	10 13	Mr. Lambert.. 0

The Waler, who was known to be a capital fencer, was installed at the lotteries as first favourite; next to him Euclid was looked upon as the best horse to back. The course was a very pretty one, rather under three miles. The jumps were not too big, but very pucka At the signal to go Sillidar wheeled about and appeared desirous of making off in the opposite direction to that in which he was intended to go. He was, however, pulled round pretty quickly and, putting on the pace through the ploughed land, lead over the first jump, a natural ditch and nullah. Bayard refused but was eventually got over; but only to repeat the same trick at the next jump. The second jump, a kutcha brick wall three and half feet high and a foot thick, was taken by Sillidar first, Benjy following. Euclid fell and got away from his rider. The Waler obstinately refused to have anything to say to it. The race was now left to Benjy and Sillidar, the latter making the running. Both horses fenced most admirably, getting over the wall, post, and rails, and double, without making a mistake, and never sputting a foot to one of their fences. At the bund, about three-quarter mile from home, Sillidar still retained the lead by about a dozen lengths, and it was lucky for him that he did, as in scrambling into the pits and up over the bund he went on the wrong side of a flag: a mistake, however, which was soon corrected. The delay, however, allowed Benjy to get within a few lengths of him. He was however never headed, and won a capital race by about four lengths. Poor Bayard, who on this occasion proved himself anything but a "chevalier sans peur," was eventually forced over all his fences and came in about a quarter of an hour afterwards.

EXTRA DAY.

The Brigand Cup.—A purse value Rs. 500, presented by Mr. Hoghton. A handicap for all horses that have started during the meeting. One mile and-a-half. Entrance Rs. 30. Second horse to receive entrances.

	st. lbs.	
Mr. Maitland's...b a h Lancelot	11 1 (carried 11 4)	Owner ... 1
Mr. Loch's ...g a h Ocks	11 4	Mr. H.Hogg.. 2
Mr. Daniell's ...b w g Bayard	12 10	Owner ... 3
Mr. Harrison's...g a h Star of the South	10 3	Owner ... 0
Mr. Abbott's ...g a h Benfy	10 3	Owner ... 0

A capital handicap, all the horses coming in together: a sheet could have covered the lot. The Waler and Ocks made the running, the latter with a slight lead. At the quarter mile post the race appeared to lie between the two. About a couple of hundred yards from home Ocks managed to get a little the best of the Waler and looked very like a winner. Lancelot, however, came up at the finish with a most splendid rush and beat Ocks on the post by a neck, Ocks beating Bayard for second honours by a head, Star of the South a good fourth.

JACOB.

BOMBAY RACES, 1874.

THE SECOND DEALERS' PLATE.

Entrances on the 15th January 1874.

Major G.'s ... g a h Emperor.
H. H. Aga Khan's ... b a c Sirmaut.
Mr. Ali bin Ameer's ... g a h Khyseri.
Mr. Hussel Khan's ... g a h Bahram.

THE RIGHT OF WAY TO BANDORA POINT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I was under the impression that this question had been settled, but this evening, on going for my usual walk to the Point, I was astonished to find that the pathway leading through Mr. Byramjee Jeejeebhoy's property had been covered with great pieces of rock and stones so as to prevent people walking to the Point. Further on, the piece of road leading up to the old archway at the entrance of the ruins had been destroyed and the pathway blocked up, so that any one could only proceed at the risk of a sprained or dislocated ancle.

If it was Mr. Byramjee Jeejeebhoy's wish thus to annoy the residents, it is a pity he was not present to see the ladies and children picking their way over the stones and pieces of rock with which the pathway was blocked, for he would have seen that his object had been attained, although I fear he would have heard remarks anything but complimentary to himself, and none more bitter than from those of his own race.

Now, Mr. Editor, I have always heard Mr. Byramjee Jeejeebhoy spoken of with great respect, and I cannot conceive how a gentleman who is so well known for his kindness can act as he is doing, except on the theory that he either does not understand the position taken up by the residents or that he misunderstands his own position.

Mr. Byramjee Jeejeebhoy, I understand, bought the lease of the Point bungalow and lane attached thereto for a large sum of money. The property, I grant, is his; but in purchasing the property he only became entitled to what was ceded by Government to the original lessee.

This estate was originally leased by Government to a Major (or Captain) Hughes, who got it for a mere nominal rent. This gentleman disposed of the lease, and after passing through several hands it came down to the present holder.

Now, Sir, years and years before the estate went into Major Hughes's hands, the people of Bandora enjoyed the right of way to the small piece of land known as the Point, and which had been constructed by the original Portuguese settlers, and bears the date 1640. No one ever disputed this right of way until Mr. Byramjee Jeejeebhoy took possession of the property about seven years ago. He then had a gate erected and tried to shut the residents out from their usual walk. But I am happy to say that from that day to this they have successfully resisted such an encroachment on a right which has been enjoyed by them and their predecessors for more than 200 years.

I think I have put the case fairly—certainly correctly as to facts. I imagine that Mr. Byramjee's misapprehension arises from his overlooking the fact that the public had a right to this way before the person who originally held the land obtained possession of it, and that this person had no power to sell this right, and that had Mr. Byramjee paid ten times the amount he did for the lease of the estate he did not buy nor could he buy this public right of way through the land.

A RESIDENT.

Bandora, 18th January.

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BOMBAY.

CHOLERA.—A fatal case of cholera was reported to have occurred at Middle Colaba on Saturday.

EUROPEAN VAGRANTS.—Yesterday there were thirty-one European vagrants in the Government work-house attached to the House of Correction.

THE AHMEDNUGGUR JAIL.—We observe from a Kattywar paper that four of the convicts who recently escaped from the Ahmednuggur Jail have been re-arrested.

SERIOUS FIRE AT BARODA.—A mofussil paper states that on the 5th inst. a serious fire broke out at Mehmoodawada, Baroda, which fifty houses were destroyed.

A FALSE MEASURE.—At the Fort Police Court, before Mr. Nana Morojee, yesterday, one Kuppurchund Lalchund, a hawker, was fined Rs. 20 for being found in possession of a false measure.

REWARD FOR THE ARREST OF A BHARWATI.—The Acting Political Superintendent, Pahlunpore, offers a reward of Rs. 1,000 for the arrest of a Bharwati of the village of Charwanda, by name Bhargoojee Udessing.

SUICIDE BY DROWNING.—An inquest was held on Sunday at Candawady concerning the death of woman named Suckoo. The jury found that she had committed suicide by drowning herself in a well whilst delirious from fever.

EXAMINATION FOR THE OFFICE OF SUBORDINATE JUDGE.—Thirty-six candidates have applied to be permitted to present themselves at the ensuing examination for the office of Subordinate Judge and that of Vakeel of the High Court.

ACTING POLITICAL AGENT OF KATTYWAR.—Mr. Peile, Acting Political Agent of Kattywar, is expected at Bhownuggur in the course of this week, where he will make over charge of his office to Colonel Anderson, who is expected to arrive here by the next mail.

ASSAULT.—A book-binder by name Papa Hasson was yesterday sentenced by Mr. Nana Morojee to four months' rigorous imprisonment for assaulting one Oomer Cassum, and assaulting and resisting a native police constable while in the execution of his duty.

ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL, LOWER MAHIM.—The annual distribution of prizes to the successful students of St. John's School took place yesterday. An old resident of Dadur, Mr. C. Viegas, has given a donation of Rs. 6,000, for the establishment of a girls' school in connection with St. John's School.

THE HOUSE OF CORRECTION.—There were 340 prisoners in the House of Correction yesterday. Of these, 115 were under sentences from the High Court, 190 from the magistrates of police, and 35 from military courts martial. Of the prisoners, 86 were Europeans and the remaining 254 were natives.

THE CHARGE AGAINST A PARSEE OF SURAT.—Dosabhoy Eduljee, formerly Wahewutdar to the late Fatma Beebee of Surat, who was arrested on a warrant charging him with criminal misappropriation, was on Saturday brought before Mr. East, Assistant Magistrate of Surat, and remanded to jail.

THE PARSEE BOARDING SCHOOL.—The Parsee Boarding School which was started at Bandora in the course of last year under the auspices of several respectable Parsees, is at present in a flourishing state. Already several boys from Mhow, Broach, and other places in Gujerat have been sent for education to this school.

PROGRAMME OF MUSIC to be played by the Town Band on the Esplanade band-stand this evening:—

March ...	Watch by the Rhine ... H. Millars.
Quadrille ...	Genevieve d'Brabante ... Coote.
Potpourri ...	Ballo in Maschera ... Verdi.
Waltz ...	Marguerita ... Godfrey.
Selection ...	La Diva ... Offenbach.
Galop ...	Troopers ... Waterson.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

A HINDOO WIDOW.—We learn from the *Ahmedabad Summachar* that about three years ago a Hindoo aged about seventy years married a young girl of his caste about ten years old. Last week the Hindoo died, and the girl will pass the remainder of her life in widowhood. The deceased has left her some Rs. 70,000.

INQUEST.—A Coroner's jury was empannelled yesterday at the Jamsetjee Hospital on view of the body of one Gopal Damjee, residing at Lallwaree, near Pinjrapole. It appears that on Sunday the deceased took a quantity of arsenic with the view of committing suicide. He was removed to the hospital, where he expired the same day. The jury gave a verdict accordingly.

ROBBING A CHILD OF ITS ORNAMENTS.—A silver neck ornament and two silver armlets were removed on Sunday from the person of a little boy, aged five years, son of a coachman residing at Mody Bay. The child, it appears, wandered away from its father's residence and was ultimately found by a policeman at Dhobie Talao without the ornaments. Enquiries are being instituted into the matter.

THE PARSEE TOWERS OF SILENCE CASE.—It is stated that the trustees of the Parsee Punchayet intend to engage Mr. J. S. White, the late Advocate General, Bombay, who is now in England, to conduct the case with regard to the land near the Towers of Silence at Chowpatty, is now pending in the High Court. In case of Mr. White declining to accept the brief, the trustees intend to engage another able barrister from England.

THE LATE MR. KURSONDAS MOOLJEE.—The widow and little children of the late Mr. Kursondas Mooljee, the great Hindoo reformer, have been excommunicated for some years past, not that they themselves had committed any serious offence, but on account of the late lamented gentleman having visited England during his life-time against the wishes of the several members of his caste. We learn from a Gujerathee weekly that an attempt is being now made to re-admit the unfortunate widow and her innocent children into caste. The writer says that before being taken into caste they will have to undergo certain penance.

HIS HIGHNESS THE GAEKWAR OF BARODA was expected at Nowsaree yesterday. Several regiments of the Gaekwar's troops have preceded him and have been awaiting His Highness's arrival for some days past.—*Poona Observer.*

KURRACHEE HARBOUR WORKS.—During the past official year the total expenditure on the Kurrachee Harbour Works was Rs. 2,74,000. It is said that the design submitted by Mr. Price for a new light-house and light (to cost about Rs. 31,762) will in all probability be sanctioned this year by Government.—*Sindian.*

THE METHODIST BISHOP.—It was intimated at the Methodist Hall on Sunday that Bishop Harris, the Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and three clergymen travelling with him on his tour though India, are to reach Poona on Wednesday the 28th instant. The Bishop will preach on Thursday evening, the 29th, and there will be a general meeting of the people connected with the Methodist Church, Poona, on Wednesday evening, the 28th, on the arrival of the party from Lucknow. The Bishop and party will leave for Bombay on Friday morning, and finally depart from India by the mail steamer of the 2nd February. There will be day services on Thursday (the 29th) which will be intimated in due time.—*Deccan Herald.*

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

THE P. & O. Co.'s s.s. SUNDA, Captain S. D. Shallard, sailed yesterday for Southampton, via the Canal, with English mail and the following additional passengers:—

For Southampton—Mr. F. Barter.
For Brindisi—Mr. J. S. Campbell, Mr. John Jardine, and Mr. John Wallace.

THE ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY.

THE Italian Opera troupe will perform in the Town Hall to-morrow evening. As the artists are well known, we need say nothing about them; but as it is not so generally known that Signor Inzoli, who brought the troupe from Italy to Bombay and entered into an engagement to pay them a considerable sum during the contract, has been losing a great deal of money since he was enterprising enough to land the troupe in Bombay, we hope that the public will endeavour to help him by giving him a full house to-morrow evening.

INSTALLATION AT LODGE "RISING SUN."

THE annual installation of the new Master of a Freemasons' Lodge is by far the most interesting ceremonial connected with it; and as regards Scottish Lodges, that interest is considerably heightened since, through the exertions of the Provincial Grand Master, the "installed Master's degree" has been introduced into them, thereby placing then on an equal footing with Lodges under the English Constitution. There was, therefore, as might have been anticipated, a large and influential gathering at Lodge "Rising Sun," Gowalia Tank Road, at the installation ceremony performed on Saturday last. The Provincial Grand Master was present with his officers to preside at the proceedings. The retiring Master of the Lodge, Wor. Bro. Ardasir Framjee Solon, gave a satisfactory account of the flourishing condition and efficient state of the Lodge, both financial and masonic, and was deservedly complimented on the success to which he himself had contributed during the past year. The pleasing, though arduous, task of performing the installation ceremony was delegated by the Provincial Grand Master to the Substitute Grand Master, Rt. Wor. K. R. Cama; and the brethren were so much gratified with the manner in which it was performed that they unanimously elected him an honorary member of the Lodge. The new Master, Wor. Bro. Dhunjeebhoy Pestonjee Mehta, then appointed Bro. J. D Settna as Depute, and Bro. Sorabjee P. Davur as Substitute Masters of the Lodge, after which he nominated the following members to be his chief officers:—Bro. Cursetjee Rustomjee Kalapesi, Senior Warden; Bro. Dinsha Dossabhoy Currance, Junior Warden; Bro. Nowrojee Dossabhoy Dubash, Treasurer; Bro. Bejonjee Ruttonjee Kotwal, Secretary; Bro. Jamsetjee Dossabhoy Bhomisha, Senior Deacon; Bro. Ruttonsha Cooverjee Patel, Junior Deacon; Bro. Muncherjee Dossabhoy Wadia, Director of Ceremonies; and Bro. Dorabjee Bickajee Kanga, Inner Guard.

The presentation of a jewel and clothing to Wor. Bro. R. M. Ratnaghur, one of the founders and Past Masters of the Lodge, added to the interest of the proceedings of the meeting. It was stated that to him the Lodge is indebted for much of its advancement and prosperity, and his zeal and assiduity could not be less handsomely rewarded than they were on the occasion. Other Masonic bodies have done him similar honour, Chapter "Mount Elburz" has presented him with valuable clothing; and the "Red Cross" Council has presented him a magnificent sword, for the services rendered by him to those bodies respectively.

THE DEFAMATION CASE AGAINST THE "RAST GOFTAR."

AT the Fort Police Court yesterday, before the Senior Magistrate, the case of defamation brought by Mr. Nusserwanjee Dorabjee, editor and proprietor of the *Parsee Punch* and *Yazdan Parast* newspapers, against Messrs. Kaikhosroo N. Kabrajee, editor, and Byramjee Furdoonjee and Merwanjee Furdoonjee, proprietors of the *Rast Goftar*, was called on for further hearing. Mr. Ferguson, instructed by Dr. Dallas, appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Pherozsha M. Mehta, instructed by Mr. Ardasir Framjee, for the defendants.

Mr. Ferguson called a witness to prove the declaration made by the prosecutor, and filed in the Police Court, that he is the printer and publisher of the abovementioned newspapers.

Mr. Pherozsha said if the case for the prosecution was to go on, he should like to cross-examine the informant before another witness was called. On the last occasion, his Worship expressed an opinion that he did not think, even if Mr. Ferguson proved every word stated in the information, that there was no case for committal. There was an express declaration by his Worship to that effect; and further time was given to consider the matter well.

The Magistrate said he expressed an opinion—perhaps hastily—which he had not withdrawn; but, as at present advised, he would not prevent the prosecution from going on with their case.

The prosecutor was thereupon cross-examined.

Mr. Nusserwanjee Dorabjee, the prosecutor, was recalled and cross-examined by Mr. Pherozsha. I have been the proprietor of the *Yazdan Parast* since 1868. From February 1868 to September of the same year I was the editor of the said paper. After that I left the editorship about eight or nine months. I again assumed it about November or December 1869, and I continued it up to the present day. The paper was started to write on religious, social, and political matters, and to defend the Parsee religion. I am also the proprietor and editor of the *Parsee Punch* since 1866. Neither of my papers is given to base flattery. Sir Cowasjee Jehangier Readymoney was once a subscriber to my paper. He was a subscriber to the *Yazdan Parast*. He wrote to me to stop his subscription some time in December 1872. He sent me a letter to that effect. I don't know whether I have that letter here or not. In spite of that, one of eight copies was sent by mistake to Sir Cowasjee. Thereupon Sir Cowasjee served me with a solicitor's notice to stop the paper, the *Yazdan Parast*. Sir Cowasjee did communicate to me the reason that induced him to cease to subscribe for the paper. I cannot say what his reason was. He did not give any reason that I can remember.

After some discussion as to whether certain questions put to the witness by Mr. Pherozsha were relevant or not, the magistrate postponed the further hearing of the case till Thursday, the 27th inst. at half-past 2 p. m.

HIGH COURT.—19TH JANUARY.

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice MARRIOTT.)

RUSTOMJEE BAROOJEE V. AYESHWADA, WIDOW AND OTHERS.

Mr. B. M. Waglé, for the defendants, moved that the sum of Rs. 764, now in the hands of the Prothonotary, should be deposited with the Accountant General to the credit of the defendants, Ooma Vithul and Damodhur Vithul, that the amount be invested in Government securities and the interest thereof be paid to the widow as guardian of the infant defendants for their maintenance until they became of age, or until the further order of the Court. His Lordship passed an order that the money should be paid to the Accountant General to be invested in Government securities at 4 per cent. interest in the names of the infants until the further order of the Court.

(Before the Hon. Sir CHARLES SARGENT.)

SHAMAVAHOO, WIDOW, V. DWARKADAS YUSSONJEE AND LUKHMIDAS KHIMJEE.

Mr. Macpherson, instructed by Messrs. Jefferson and Payne, on behalf of the defendants, the executors and trustees of the estate of the late Gokuldas Tejpall, applied for the costs of the third counsel, whom they had employed during the hearing of the suit. Mr. Fox, the taxing officer, objected to pass the costs for the third counsel as between solicitor and client, and directed the matter to be brought in Court for the opinion of the learned judge who heard the suit.

His Lordship said he did not see the necessity for there being a third counsel.

Mr. Macpherson said his principal point was that the original will and the documents in the vernacular language were understood by Mr. B. M. Waglé.

His Lordship remarked there was nothing in the point, for at that rate there ought always to be a native barrister in all cases in order to see whether the translations and interpretations were correct, although his Lordship was of opinion it might in some special cases be desirable to have the services of a native barrister.

Mr. Macpherson said the question was whether his clients, in the exercise of their duty as executors, unnecessarily and improvidently incurred the expense. The case was a very intricate one; there were very long documents in the vernacular to consult; and there were no less than eighteen hearings about matters in connection with which his clients were charged with malversation and fraud. The junior counsel (Mr. Marriott) owing to another engagement, wanted to throw up the brief; and the senior counsel (Mr. Anstey) said he would retire from the case unless he had another junior. Mr. Anstey's health was uncertain; and the defendants got over the difficulty by giving a nominal fee to the second counsel, who was expected to take up the case at any moment in the event of Mr. Anstey's illness, and employed Mr. B. M. Waglé as junior counsel in Mr. Marriott's place. The costs thus incurred were not greater than would have been incurred if there were only two counsel giving their unremitted attention to the case.

His Lordship said he was most unwilling to establish a precedent for allowing three counsel. He saw there was no necessity for engaging three in this case, and enquired what would be the costs of the third counsel.

Mr. Macpherson said the whole of the costs would not exceed Rs. 5,000 for a third counsel, but that at present he asked sanction for two items aggregating about Rs. 900. The taxing officer declined to go to the other charges until these two items were settled.

His Lordship, when the costs of the third counsel were stated to be about Rs. 5,000, thought the matter to be so important that he said he should, before establishing a precedent, consult the Chief Justice on the point. When the question narrowed itself to about Rs. 900, his Lordship said he would tell Mr. Fox to ascertain the whole amount of costs before he adjudicated on the matter before him. He would not decide the point in the dark.

LETTER FROM THE BOMBAY GOVERNMENT TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ON THE AJMERE EXTENSION.

No. 3 of 1874.

Railway Department.

From the Secretary to the Government of Bombay.
To the Secretary to the Government of India.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 1641 S. R., dated 6th November last, communicating copy of the Resolution of the Government of India and of Mr. Collet's report with reference to the West Rajpootana (State) Railway Survey, and requesting to be favoured with any remarks the Government may wish to make on the project.

2. In reply I am desired to forward copies of reports from the Agent and Chief Engineer of the Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Company, and the Consulting Engineer for Railways, with an expression of the general concurrence of His Excellency in Council in the views contained in these papers.

3. His Excellency is of opinion that it is very greatly to be regretted that the line from Ahmedabad to Agra was not projected throughout on the standard gauge of 5ft. 6in. It is one of the main arterial lines of India, and forms a side of the great triangle whose angles are at Bombay, Allahabad, and Agra. It is difficult to overrate the importance to Bombay of connecting Ahmedabad with Agra by rail, as at present the trade of the place is very greatly hampered by the high G. I. P. tariff—a tariff which is forced on that Company by the difficulties of their line as regards curves, gradients and ghaut inclines, and consequent high cost of haulage.

4. As, however, the metre gauge has been determined on already as far as Ajmere, and as a break of gauge must, therefore, be submitted to somewhere, a suitable point for it is probably at Pahlunpore. Up to that point the country is level and easy, and the circumstances are such that the difference between a standard gauge line with lighter rails, and a metre gauge, would not be very great. The Consulting Engineer calculates this difference at from Rs. 10,000 to Rs. 12,000 a mile.

5. It would be advantageous to Government to allow the Baroda Railway Company to undertake the work under their present guarantee, as they could then use up some of their surplus material and work the line with but little addition to their existing rolling-stock. And His Excellency in Council recommends that they be at once authorized to construct the portion from the Saburmuttee to Meysana, which is common to all the alternative lines, and for which estimates were submitted with my No. 1316, dated 23rd October last.

6. In conclusion, I am directed to forward, for the consideration of the Government of India, copy of a communication on this subject, received from the Bombay Chamber of Commerce, and I am to add that there is a feeling on the part of the public and the mercantile community of this Presidency, that the question of the early construction of this line of railway has not hitherto received the attention that its great importance merits.—I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

M. K. KENNEDY, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

Bombay Castle, 5th January 1874.

COLONEL HANCOCK'S REPORT ON THE AJMERE EXTENSION.

No. 4,703A of 1873.

Consulting Engineer's Department, Bombay, 9th Dec.

To the Secretary to Government, Railway Department.

SIR,—With reference to Government Resolution No. 1,471, dated 24th November, I have the honour to submit reports from the Agent and Chief Engineer B. B. and C. I. Railway Company, and to state that I entirely concur in their recommendation that a further examination should be made of the country to the west of Mount Aboo, and in the view that the break of guage which appears to be inevitable should take place not at Ahmedabad but at Pahlunpore or Deesa, or such other point as may be fixed for the divergence of the line to Hydrabad or Sind.

2. As pointed out in my note on the Joonaghur and Veerawul line, the difference in cost between a metre gauge railway with a 40lb. rail and a railway on the standard gauge with a 60lb rail in the level country of Goozerat, excluding rolling-stock, may be taken at from Rs. 10,000 to Rs. 12,000 a mile, * and it appears to me that it will be well worth while to incur the extra expenditure in order to utilize some of the spare materials and rolling-stock which have accumulated in the stores of the guaranteed railway companies, and to relieve the traffic of the plain country between Ahmedabad and Deesa, which is likely to be considerable, of the evils and inconveniences resulting from a break of gauge.

3. Should Government concur in this opinion there is nothing to prevent the construction of the first section of the line from Ahmedabad being entrusted to the Baroda Railway Company either as part of their guaranteed undertaking, or as a state line to be constructed by them on Government account, and the first thirty-seven miles from Saburmuttee to Meysana might be commenced almost immediately.—I am, &c.

H. F. HANCOCK, Lt. Colonel,
Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.

* See also reply by Mr. LeMessurier, Agent G. I. P. Railway, to question No. 437, page 28, of Report of Carwar Railway Committee, on which difference is estimated at Rs. 9,333 Per mile using 36 lb. rails.

THE AJUNTA FRESCOES.

THE mission of Mr. Griffiths to Ajunta, to copy some of the remaining frescoes there, has already been noticed (Vol. II. pp. 152-3). Under harassing difficulties and obstructions he has done his work well; and, having laboured from 10th December 1872 till 17th May last with such assistance as he was allowed, and that much crippled by malarious fever—at a total cost of only Rs. 4,669-14-9, he has succeeded in securing excellent copies of four large wall-paintings covering 122 square feet of canvas, 160 panels of ceiling aggregating perhaps 283 square feet, 16 moulds from the sculptures, and several drawings.

The following extracts from Mr. Griffiths' interesting report will convey some idea of the character of the frescoes and the style in which they are executed:—The artists who painted them, he says, "were giants in execution. Even on the vertical sides of the walls some of the lines which were drawn with one sweep of the brush struck me as being very wonderful; but when I saw long delicate curves drawn without faltering with equal precision upon the horizontal surface of a ceiling, where the difficulty of execution is increased a thousand-fold—it appeared to me nothing less than miraculous. One of the students when hoisted up on the scaffolding, tracing his first panel on the ceiling, naturally remarked that some of the work looked like child's work—little thinking that what appeared to him, up there, as rough and meaningless had been laid in by a cunning hand, so that when seen at its right distance every touch fell into its proper place.

"The condition of mind in which these paintings at Ajanta were originated and executed must have been very similar to that which produced the early Italian paintings of the fourteenth century, as we find much that is in common. Little attention paid to the science of art—a general crowding of figures into a subject, regard being had more to the *truthful* rendering of a story than to a *beautiful* rendering of it:—not that they discarded beauty, but they did not make it the primary motive of representation. There is a want of aerial perspective—the parts are delicately shaded, not forced by light and shade, giving the whole a look of flatness—a quality to be desired in mural decoration.

"Whoever were the authors of these paintings, they must have constantly mixed with the world. Scenes of every-day life, such as preparing food, carrying water, buying and selling, processions, hunting-scenes, elephant-fights, men and women engaged in singing, dancing, and playing on musical instruments, are most gracefully depicted upon these walls; and they could only have been done by men who were constant spectators of such scenes, by men of keen observation and retentive memories. The artists certainly could not have observed one of the ten commandments which Buddha imposed: to abstain from public festivals. In every example that has come under my observation, the action of the hands is admirable and unmistakeable in conveying the particular expression the artist intended.

"Sir Emerson Tennent in his work on Ceylon states that the Chinese traveller Fa Hian, who lived in the fifth century of the Christian era, describes the condition of Anurajapura and the ceremonies which took place there. 'The sacred tooth of Buddha was publicly exposed on sacred days in the capital with gorgeous ceremonies which he recounts, and thence carried in procession to the mountains without fear; the road to which was perfumed and decked with flowers for the occasion; and the festival was concluded by a dramatic representation of events in the life of Buddha illustrated by scenery and costumes, with figures of elephants and stags so delicately coloured as to be undistinguishable from nature.' The fact of men taking part in and witnessing such sights as described above will account, in some measure, for the processional scenes which are painted on the walls at Ajanta."

The first of Mr. Griffiths' copies is a picture 8 feet by 6 feet 3 inches. This painting is composed of a central figure of colossal size, and portions of ten others, seven of them being about life-size. In it he calls special attention to the drawing of the head* of two women in the left hand corner, and the portion of the woman's face and arms on the right. "Additional interest," he remarks, "attaches to this picture from the fact that nearly all the ornaments which were used to adorn the person are here in a very good state of preservation, and are most admirably drawn—especially the twist that is given to the string of pearls on the colossal figure—and those round the neck of the woman in the left-hand corner—and the chain round the neck of the figure to the right with an accidental hitch in it. I would also call attention to the drawing of the long pointed nails of the same figure, and also those of the colossal figure: many of the bracelets differ little in design from those now worn, and the white wreaths of flowers in the hair of the women are similarly worn by native women at the present day."

The second picture is 6½ by 3½ feet. "This subject has fourteen figures assembled under what appears to be a wooden canopy. The two seated male figures, who are profusely ornamented with jewels and flowers are apparently engaged in a dispute," while the others, principally women with long curly hair, are eager listeners. Parts of this picture are admirably executed. In addition to the natural grace and ease with which she is standing, the drawing of the woman holding a casket in one hand, and a jewel with a string of pearls hanging from it in the other, is most delicately and truly rendered. The same applies to the woman seated on the ground in the left-hand corner. The upward gaze and sweet expression of the mouth are beautifully given. The left hand of the same woman is drawn with great subtlety and tenderness."

The third picture is a copy of a portion of the painting on the right-hand wall of the antechamber to the sanctuary, and measures 7 feet by 4. "In this piece there are eight figures and portions of three others—all of which are seated or standing upon large otus flowers with *nimbi* round the heads. The action of some of the figures, especially the standing ones, bears such a very striking resemblance to what is characteristic of the figures in Christian art that they might have been taken from some mediæval church rather than from the caves of Ajanta. The delicate foliage which fills in the spaces between the figures will give some idea of the power of these old artists as designers, and also of their knowledge of the growth of plants."

The fourth picture, measuring 4 feet 11 inches by 4 feet 3 inches, is the only one not taken from Cave I. Mr. Griffiths' plan was to work out one cave thoroughly before proceeding to another; but he deviated from it in this instance in order "to secure some record, however imperfect, of this the best piece of painting now remaining at Ajanta. 'For pathos and sentiment and the unmistakeable way of telling its story,' he says, 'this picture, I consider, cannot be surpassed in the history of art. The Florentine could have put better drawing, and the Venetian better colour, but neither could have thrown greater expression into it. The dying woman, with drooping head, half-closed eyes, and languid limbs, reclines on a bed the like of which may be found in any native house of the present day. She is tenderly supported by a female attendant, whilst another with eager gaze is looking into her face and holding the sick woman's arm as if in the act of feeling her pulse. The expression on her face is one of deep anxiety, as she seems to realize how soon life will be extinct in one she loves. Another female behind is in attendance with a *punkà*, whilst two men on the left are looking on with the expression of profound grief depicted in their faces. Below are seated on the floor other relations, who appear to have given up all hope, and to have begun their days of mourning, —for one woman has buried her face in her hands and apparently is weeping bitterly."

"Is it unreasonable to infer that the peacock—a Christian symbol of the Resurrection—seen in connection with this death-scene may have the same meaning attached to it here, especially as we meet with another symbol in the caves which has entered largely into Christian art and which must have been borrowed from the East?—I refer to the *nimbus*."

Of the ceiling 131 panels about a foot square each, and 29 others varying from 18 inches square to 4 feet 10 inches by 2 feet, have been copied—some of them filled with most intricate painting; and a drawing has been made of the ceiling, showing what remains of the colouring upon it, and the positions of the panels copied.

"Although a great portion of this ceiling is destroyed, yet enough remains to give us the general arrangement of the whole. At first sight it appears very complicated in design, but after a little study it will be seen how simply the whole thing is arranged. Adhering to the idea of imitating their wooden originals, which idea pervades everything they did here, the Buddhists, in decorating this ceiling, merely adopted the principal divisions formed by the several timbers in one of their wooden floors: in fact the plan of this ceiling is nothing more than the plan of a wooden floor taken from below,—or, to put it plainer, if another floor were added on to the present cave, the timbers which enter into the construction of that floor, on looking up at them from below, would be represented by the principal lines on this ceiling.

"The space is thus divided into a number of panels which are filled with ornament. This principle of division is carried out in every painted ceiling that is still remaining of the Vihara caves at Ajanta with one exception only, and that is Cave XVI. where the principal arrangement consists of circles. Having thus divided the ceiling into a number of panels, with a circle for variety in the central division, we find these panels filled with ornament of such variety and beauty—where we have naturalism and conventionalism so harmoniously combined—as to call forth our highest admiration. For delicate colouring, variety of design, flow of line, and filling of space, I think they are unequalled. Although every panel has been thought out, and not a touch in one carelessly given, yet the whole work bears the impression of having been done with the greatest ease and freedom: not only freedom in execution, but also freedom of thought."

All the ornament in the smaller squares is painted alternately on a black and red ground. The ground-colour was first laid in, and then the ornament was painted solidly over this in white: it was further developed by thin transparent colours over the white.

In order fully to appreciate the copies of the paintings, it is necessary to bear in mind that the originals were designed and painted to occupy certain fixed positions, and were seen in a subdued light. Many of the copies of the panels on close inspection appear coarse and unfinished; but seen at their proper distance (never less than seven feet from the spectator) apparent coarseness assumes a delicate gradation."

The *moulds* taken, Mr. Griffiths regrets, are not so good as they should be,—inasmuch as the two men sent him were not equal to the work. "The joints are coarse, and too great a freedom was taken in stopping up the undercuttings with clay—thus destroying that sharpness and crispness which characterizes much of the ornament here.

The subjects moulded are chiefly in alto-relievo, of buffaloes and elephants engaged in fight—the action in all being most vigorously given. These old Buddhist artists were perfectly acquainted with the elephant—for we find him carved and painted with a knowledge that is truly remarkable."

Among the drawings is one "giving a general plan of the cave with an elevation of each wall showing how much of the painting still remains,—how much was copied by Major Gill, and saved from the fire,—and how much was copied by me during the past season. I should not have known of the existence of the former if it had not been for a friend in Bombay who possessed photographs of them which he kindly lent me." From this drawing it appears that much remains still uncopied in Cave I.

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MERITORIOUS BOOKS BY NATIVE AUTHORS.

No 2, dated Allahabad, the 17th January, 1874.

From C. A. Elliott, Esq., Secretary to Government, N. W. P.

To M. Kempson, Esq., Director of Public Instruction, N. W. P.

Sir,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your docket No. 661G., dated the 11th September last, with which you submit a report on an Oordoo manuscript entitled *Tinbat-un-Nassah*,—" The Repentance of Nusooh :" by Moulvee Nazeer Ahmad.

2. In reply I am to say that the Lieutenant-Governor has read this work with deep interest, and thanks you for the very complete and accurate analysis you have given of its contents.

3. Upon the whole, the Lieutenant-Governor concurs in the high estimate you have formed of the book. As a story, indeed, it may be inferior to the *Bride's Mirror* : the plot and incidents are not so natural ; several of the characters, once introduced, are afterwards lost sight of ; and the conversations and exhortations are often wearisome in length, and sometimes out of place. On the other hand the tendency of the book and the language in which it is written are deserving of the warmest commendation. Indeed, the vigor of expression, the chaste and simple beauty of the style, and the singular aptness and richness of idiom, are probably unequalled in Oordoo. The impartial mingling of words of Hindee and of Persian and Arabic origin, as they are found in the common speech of Delhi, is a high merit. The copious use of proverbial phrases and poetical adages, and specially of phrases occurring in the familiar discourse of domestic life, will add greatly to the usefulness of the book. A most valuable insight is also given into the details of the Mahometan family life, which will make this work, like the *Bride's Mirror*, instructive to the European reader.

4. But the leading feature of the book is, as you have explained, its religious bearing. At the outset the author frankly acknowledges his inability to inculcate domestic virtues apart from religion. Indeed, his conviction in this matter is couched in the strongest possible language. "My first purpose," he says, "was to establish the necessity of social and family virtue and morality, without reference to religion : but as I proceeded, I found that I might as well seek to separate the body from the spirit, divide the ray of light from the sun, sever the quality from the essence, or tear the nail from the flesh." And accordingly the moral of the story is, as you have shewn, that an earnest and sincere following up of religious conviction is the only sound basis of domestic happiness. No doubt various opinions will be held upon the maxim he has here laid down ; but there can be no question as to the earnest convictions of the writer; nor of the catholic spirit in which, from a Mahometan point of view, he has carried out his object. At first the Lieutenant-Governor doubted whether, in reference to the terms of the Prize Notification, which expressly excludes from competition religious works, this treatise falls within its scope. But on a careful perusal of the whole, His Honor is satisfied that the author has well fulfilled his resolution of avoiding everything that is bigoted, or that might prove offensive to persons of another creed ; and also of laying such stress upon the great verities which under-lie religious belief, that his lessons might by implication be well received, even by others than professors of his own faith. And in this view His Honor quite agrees with you that the work may prove acceptable, not only to Mahometans, but also to the Hindoo and Christian reader. Such scenes as that described by you of the little daughter's conversation with Fahmeeda on the duty owing to her Maker, are full of nature and of tenderness, and can hardly be perused otherwise than with profit to the reader, of whatever creed.

5. Such being the case, Sir William Muir has no hesitation in admitting this work as properly falling under the scope of the Notification ; and having done so, His Honor has as little hesitation in awarding to it the full prize of Rs. 1,000, assured that the book is a valuable addition to our vernacular literature, and that it will be highly popular among the Mussulmans, and will be widely read among other classes also.

SIR JOSEPH ARNOULD'S "MEMOIR OF THOMAS, FIRST LORD DENMAN."*

(From the Pall Mall Gazette.)

These volumes are to be welcomed, first and foremost, because they present a marked exception to a bad and unwholesome custom, which has of late become almost inveterate among us. The biography of deceased men of mark has become a special business, secured by custom to their nearest relatives, heirs, and executors. The world is a great deal too good-natured in this particular. The next of kin are regarded as having an established monopoly of the fame of the deceased ; and, moreover, to the pecuniary profit which may be made out of him. And the result is that the public is served with "memoirs" of domestic manufacture, which no one expects to be either truthful or independent, because it is also a recognised maxim that a family biographer is bound to make the best of his subject, to mitigate faults and magnify virtues ; while most readers conceive that he is justified, in addition, in suppressing such knowledge as his command of the family documents may have afforded him of the weaker points in the character of his hero. Any one familiar with literature of this order in our times will be very well able to apply these general maxims of ours to particular cases. In the present instance we have the workmanship of a friend, but no connection or dependant of the family—Sir Joseph Arnould—who has executed his task, no doubt, with the partiality of an old admirer, but with an honest desire to perform it without fear or favour. And his subject affords peculiar advantages for a biographer of this order. Lord Denman was an instance—perhaps the only one in our age—of a man who made his way to the highest professional honours without any display of first-rate ability or first-rate knowledge ; who was neither a good advocate nor a consummate lawyer, but who possessed in the very highest degree those qualities of exalted honour and nobility of character which, on the judicial bench in England, happily as yet pass with the community for even greater merit than ordinary judicial faculties, however duly these may be valued.

Lord Denman's early life, recounted here at perhaps greater length than most readers will find interesting, was that of an Eton and Cambridge gentleman and scholar. He took no Cambridge honours, because he shared with most of his contemporaries that dislike to mathematics, then the only road to such distinction, which made them keep apart from the natural line of academic ambition. He was an elegant and accomplished Latinist ; but Sir Joseph Arnould is mistaken in supposing that he was a profound scholar in any respect, and we fancy that he and those whom Byron terms his "associate bards" in the well-known and charming volume of translations from the Greek Anthology—with the exception, perhaps, of Bland—recruited their Muse somewhat liberally by having recourse to the Latin translations on the opposite side of their Greek text. We mention this doubt of ours because it bears to some extent on remarkable passages of his after life. He married young a beautiful woman, had a large and flourishing family, and the portrait drawn of his domestic life is one of happiness more unalloyed than usually falls within the lot of men, and specially, perhaps, of men who lead a busy and ambitious life. But of his "interior" we cannot afford space to say more.

His success at the bar was not rapid nor eminent ; but he appears to have acquired early a certain position by his success in oratorical display, and in the art of affecting juries in what are now called "sensation" cases, though entirely free on his part from those small artifices with which this kind of success is too commonly associated in bar experience. He became first known to the public through his assistance (as a very effective junior) in the defence of Brandreth, Ludlam, and Turner (the Luddites) in 1817. Although his clients were duly "hanged and beheaded" (the quarter-ing being graciously remitted by the Prince Regent), "yet," says Sir Joseph, "the spirit, manliness, and high tone of his speeches for the defence had attracted considerable attention. He was henceforth regarded as a man marked out for future eminence." It may be added that he was known already as a "Radical" of the purest water, according to the notions of those times, and, moreover, as presenting the unusual combination of such Radicalism with conduct and sentiments not merely respectable but gentlemanlike.

These qualities recommended him to the Duke of Devonshire and Marquis of Lansdowne, who, in their zeal for the acquisition of creditable party recruits, had him elected in 1818 (at the age of forty) for the close borough of Wareham. But his early parliamentary career was not a success, nor, indeed, did he ever really succeed in Parliament. His fine presence, commanding manner, splendid voice, and the irresistible impression of honesty which he produced on his hearers afforded him great advantages at the first start. But force of reasoning, smartness of wit, readiness of reply, these were wanting, or at least insufficient. If the contents of his oratory could have corresponded with the frontispiece, he would have stood almost unrivalled. "In voice, in expression of eye and face, in gesture and attitude and in all the histrionic part of oratory—that part of it which is physical and perishable—Denman possessed qualifications which have rarely been surpassed."

He possessed in youth (adds his biographer), and, indeed, throughout life, very considerable personal advantages . . . His countenance was very expressive ; the features high and strongly marked, but well formed and handsome, the whole face conveying an expression of sweetness combined with power. He was about five feet eleven inches in height, spare and strong in frame, capable and fond of vigorous exertion, as is proved by his having more than once while at Cambridge walked thence to London with his friend Shadwell, in little more than twelve hours, including stoppages. Among his physical advantages must not be forgotten the possession of a voice magnificent in its depth and compass, singularly musical in its modulation, and capable of adapting itself to all moods, whether of pity or tenderness, or anger and scorn. The principal thing that struck you in his appearance (said his affectionate sister, Mrs. Baillie) was his remarkable air of distinction. His appearance was that of a "gentleman" in a remarkable degree ; and I really do not think he could have been placed in any situation or in any circumstance where that would not have been perceived or acknowledged. But, gentle and unassuming as he was, there was about him a striking expression of one born to command.

All this is true, as the memory of any one who was familiar with him, professionally or otherwise, and lives to remember it, will amply serve to certify. But it remains unfortunately true also—though a loyal biographer cannot be expected to add it—that in him the outward signs of mental power and majesty, though morally realized, were not so intellectually. His real force of mind was not such as to justify his magnificent outside. Often were those who listened either to his speeches at the bar or his judgments in court disappointed by finding a few vigorous and well-arranged sentences followed up by feeble though not fluent commonplace, and shading off, as it were, into nothing. He was wanting in that sustained command of improvised reasoning which is essential to the advocate, and not less so to the judge who delivers himself orally.

He was conscious of his own comparative failure in his *debut* in the House of Commons ; but he was not a man to be easily discouraged. In 1820 he came in as Radical member for Nottingham, and rose to the eminence of a popular leader : "Dear, lawless Democrat with dreadful brow," as one of his early college friends poetically calls him. Very soon afterwards he was summoned to what proved to be the turning-point in his career—the defence of Queen Caroline. Much of interest will be found, even on so obsolete and disagreeable a subject, in these pages ; but it must be said that Denman's own narrative, now for the first time printed from manuscript, does not contain much of novelty. This whole chapter of *his life*, however, tends to confirm the ordinary popular belief that Denman—strange to say—did believe, even to the utmost, in his client's innocence, and that he was probably the only one of those who had been brought into close contact with her who retained that conviction. He very solemnly related to a friend how the poor woman, delirious for many hours before her death, never once mentioned in her agony that Italian servant whose name had been most constantly coupled by her enemies with hers.

Denman's advocacy was probably the most serviceable instrument which the Queen had at her command ; his eloquence was powerful, his honour, professional as well as personal, above slander, qualities which could by no means be so safely predicated of all her supporters. Nevertheless, a certain deficiency in acuteness, never his strong point, misled him into one or two singular and somewhat absurd mistakes. The famous apostrophe to his client, "Sin no more," was not easily forgotten. Neither was the indecent allusion from Dio Cassius, which George the Fourth insisted on applying to *himself*, in spite of Denman's unavailing remonstrances. Sir Joseph devotes some pages to this untoward event, but we doubt whether he fully appreciates its significance. Two features in Denman's character must be remembered. In the first place, he was, as we have said, a superficial scholar only, though an elegant one, especially in Greek. In the next place, he possessed the unusual quality, among men educated and knocked about in the world like himself, of a masculine purity of soul. Ostentatious indecency was not only unfamiliar to him, but it was utterly repugnant. A curious passage from the earlier portion of this Memoir illustrates our position :—

"Although Byron at this time [that of Denman's early days at the bar] was on intimate terms with Hodgson, Drury, Bland, and Merivale, it does not appear that he and Denman ever met but once. On that one occasion Byron, with the strange perversity that at times got the better of him, would talk of nothing but the grossest obscenity, raked out of the filth of old criminal law text-books, to which he persisted in returning again and again whenever an attempt was made to change the conversation. This so disgusted Denman, though by no means in general more squeamish than the rest of his profession, that he declined again to lower, by personal intercourse, his ideal of the poet, for whose genius, as subsequently developed, he had the most unbounded admiration."

Now, putting these circumstances together, let us remember that the odious quotation in question may be understood in two meanings : the one coarse, but no more ; the other, foul to the last degree. We doubt very much whether Denman was aware of the latter sense, though it was well known enough, no question, to the old pedant Parr, who prompted him, familiar with the dirty corners of ancient libraries. And, taken in the *less* offensive sense, the passage scarcely admits of application to Nero at all ; which confirms Denman's constant assertion that he did not intend it for the king.

George the Fourth had doubtless good reason for personal wrath both against Brougham and Denman ; but there was characteristic meanness in his indulgence of it by refusing them the ordinary professional honour of the silk gown. As things turned out, his rancor missed its mark. Brougham's genius was too elastic to be impeded by such trivial restraints. To Denman, a man of less power, the denial, however worrying he may have felt it, probably did more good than harm. He was not really qualified to succeed either as a great lawyer or an accomplished leader at Nisi Prius. It was well for him, therefore, that he was detained for a few years longer in his somewhat ambiguous position, as at once a tribune of the people and a successful advocate where popular eloquence and prestige were required. His popularity now led also for the first time to substantial results. In 1822 he was elected Common Serjeant for London, and thereby placed in receipt of a fair regular salary —much needed, as a *pièce de résistance*, by a man with a large growing family, who never cared about money, and had no propensities either for saving or for extravagance. The "patent of precedence" granted him in 1828 was a partial and tardy reparation for past illusage. It was wrung from his Majesty by the instances of the Duke of Wellington, who took better care of the Royal dignity than did the King himself, and who showed, moreover, on many occasions the high appreciation which he had formed of the character of Denman.

In 1830 George IV. died ; and events moved fast. Brougham became Chancellor, and Denman at once Attorney-General. Whatever Brougham's merits as a good hater may have been, he was certainly a warm and tenacious friend. Every one of the counsel who "stood together in their chivalry"—to use his own phrase—in that seemingly inauspicious defence of Queen Caroline, earned through him more or less distinguished reward. Denman's was the highest. He was only Attorney-General two years. The sudden death of Lord Tenterden (November, 1832) raised him three days afterwards at once to the highest common-law dignity—the Chief Justiceship of the Queen's Bench. Brougham, as always hitherto, stood his fast ally in the matter. But it may be questioned whether a determination to exclude Lord Lyndhurst—a possible candidate, whose influence with the Crown was known and dreaded—had not something to do with the rapidity of the promotion. It excited, of course, some real or affected amaze, Denman not being deemed of high calibre among lawyers, nor exactly popular with them, though highly esteemed. But men were accustomed just then to have their heads turned by witnessing sudden elevations and depressions.

He presided over the Queen's Bench for seventeen years, with just that mixed success which might be anticipated from a knowledge of his character. Sir Joseph Arnould can hardly be expected to bring out into strong relief the unfavourable side of his career. Denman was no learned lawyer ; nor had he that peculiar strength of fibre in his disposition which qualifies for the mastering of complicated details of mixed fact and law ; nor that readiness of tact by which very inferior men are sometimes enabled to decide tolerably enough cases "off-hand." Nor was he much assisted by the composition of his bench of "fellow puisnes." One first-rate jurist he had by his side, and the most honest of subordinates, Patteson, but his usefulness was early impaired by deafness, and it became a painful sight to see the chief turning round for counsel and help from one perfectly qualified to impart them, but unable to catch the points on which they were required. His other juniors were for the most part second-rate men, and the court in his time acquired no great consideration among lawyers. But other qualifications he possessed which were perhaps more valuable in his day. In a time of changes approaching revolution—when not only political principles were rapidly melting away, but, as is almost a necessary consequence, moral principles also were becoming loose and "flabby"—he maintained at the highest point the public credit of the bench and of the profession. No one, under Denman, speculated on the success, unless by surprise, of a fraud or a "dodge," or on the condonation of a dishonourable weakness ; things sometimes suspected under earlier and more accomplished administrators of the law. The good which he wrought in this simple way—in the time of transition in which his lot was cast—we believe to have been inestimable.

Of the public incidents of Denman's dignified and honourable but not brilliant judicial career two only brought him prominently before the public eye, and to these his biographer, of course, accords very distinguished mention. Both are well-nigh forgotten, for neither, as it turned out, produced any results of permanent importance, either in the way of political consequences or of legal amendments. The first (1837-1840) was the great "question of privilege," styled by Sir Joseph, "Denman's conflict with the House of Commons." The outlines of the case—now well-nigh forgotten—were these :—The prison inspectors in 1836 had made a report reflecting in certain incidental particulars on the character of Stockdale, a scandalous publisher of the day. This report was published, in accordance with certain then recent resolutions of the House of Commons, by Messrs. Hansard. Stockdale brought his action against Hansards. The then Attorney-General, Campbell, thought it necessary to urge the proposition that this publication was protected by privilege of Parliament. The Lord Chief Justice took fire—in his usual vivid way—at this assertion of what he deemed an abusive prerogative. He expressed his opinion with that kind of fervid exaggeration which was a little too habitual to him when excited by what he deemed a public wrong. "I am not aware," he said, "of the existence in this country of, any body whatever which can privilege any servant of theirs to publish libels on any individual. . . . I wish to say so emphatically and distinctly, because I think, if on the first opportunity which arose in a court of justice on such a question, that point were to be left unsatisfactorily explained, the judge who sat there might become an accomplice in the destruction of the liberties of his country, and expose every individual who lived in it to a tyranny no man ought to submit to." The legal war which ensued—prolonged as it was by the impracticable virtue of Denman and the preverse ingenuity of Campbell—will scarcely interest readers of the present day. Suffice it to say, that after the in significant Stockdale had been the cause of desperate quarrelling in and out of the profession—after two London sheriffs had been sent to prison by the House of Commons for contempt, and the Court of Queen's Bench had been reduced to the ignominious necessity of confessing that it could not legally get them out again—the skirmish was ended in the simplest and most rational way by an Act of Parliament providing that "in future all proceedings against persons for publication of papers printed by order of Parliament should be stayed on delivery of a certificate and affidavit that such publications was by order of the House." Thus the House gained, substantially, all that it contended for—only through the means of legislation, not of privilege. We actually live, and have lived ever since 1840, under what Lord Denman termed a "tyranny no man ought to submit to." And yet "nobody seems a penny the worse." The law of privilege had been, as lawyers term it, abundantly "ventilated," and that was all. Lord Denman—though it must be admitted somewhat grudgingly—"approved of the bill." And so ended a vehement but shadowy fight, of which the unreality is now apparent enough, although Lord Denman himself speaks of it in a paper printed in the appendix to these volumes as "the most important event of my life, and that on which my future reputation must mainly depend. It must be added that Lord Denman (according to Sir Joseph) never forgave Lord Campbell for the part he took in reference to these proceedings ; but, then, Lord Campbell had always been one of his *bêtes noires*, and Lord Lyndhurst another.

The second notorious achievement of Lord Denman in his Chief Justiceship was his judgment in the "O'Connell case," 1844. And we are sorry to say that it affords the first occasion on which we feel obliged to part company with his lawyer biographer. Sir Joseph thinks that this judgement "tended in a high degree to confirm the public estimate of Lord Denman as one fearlessly determined, with a single eye to truth and justice, and a total disregard to possible ulterior consequences, to carry out to the uttermost the views which he had deliberately formed as to the real rights of every case brought before him for decision." In our view, the whole proceeding of which that judgment formed a part was in the highest degree discreditable, not personally to Lord Denman, but to the administration of English justice, in which his office formed an important feature, and which he strenuously upheld. The story, though complicated in details, admits of being very shortly told in its outlines. O'Connell had been convicted of "conspiracy and sedition," and the substantial objection taken to the conviction was that the jury list had been irregularly constituted. It was an objection purely legal and technical. No one contended that O'Connell had not had substantial justice. It was one on which lawyers might well differ, and were sure (with their pugnacious propensities) to differ; and they differed accordingly. The case came from Ireland before the House of Lords. The judges of the superior courts of Westminster Hall were summoned to give the Peers the benefit of their advice. Those who attended, by a considerable majority, overruled the objections to the conviction. The law lords, by a majority, set those objections up again. The question, as we have said, admitted of endless dry legal argument on both sides. But it so happens that all the law lords who voted against the objection were Tories, all those who voted for it, Denman included, Whigs. And O'Connell got off accordingly.

The permanent results of this famous judgment, when its immediate political result had expired, were twofold. In the first place, it contributed to that growing distrust of "law lords" as an ambiguous and untrustworthy institution which has since developed into the abolition of one of the most venerable features of the English system. In the second place, it enriched our language, as the biographer truly says, with the memorable phrase which has since become one of the household words of the English language." "If it was possible," said Lord Denman, "that such a practice as that which has taken place in the present instance should be allowed to pass without remedy, trial by jury itself, instead of being a security to persons who are accused, will be a mockery, a delusion, and a snare." The present Judge Denman was walking down with his father from the House after the delivery of the judgment, and praising, among other things, these celebrated words, "Ah," said Lord Denman, "I am sorry I used them ; they were not judicial."

With regard to the "life peerage" question it may be noted that, as Sir Joseph Arnould observes, "Denman's professional emoluments while at the bar, though latterly considerable, had never been on the scale of those of Scarlett, Sugden, and several others of his leading contemporaries, and they were more than absorbed by the expenses incident to a numerous family and a style of living which, without being profuse, was generous and liberal. He had never been economical, was frequently embarrassed, saved nothing, and died poor." But Sir Joseph Arnould is speaking more according to the logic of past times than of ours when he adds :—"His case was one of several which seem to afford a strong if not an irresistible argument for the expediency of vesting in the crown a power of conferring peerages for life." Of the general expediency of such a measure we say here nothing ; but the special reason pointed out for it in this passage has ceased to exist, or will cease in November, 1874. It will no longer be a necessary part of a Ministry's system of fortifications to fence itself with a sufficient force of "law lords ;" and some foolish appointments, and some scandalous, would likely be avoided if the reform had been earlier. There can be no political reason (worth mentioning) for making a lord of a poor soldier or admiral ; law peerage was an occasional indulgence which could not be dispensed with. Law peers will now be unnecessary, and, what is of more importance, the scandal of political judgments by high judicial functionaries will be removed.

We have left ourselves no space to comment on Lord Denman's career as a legislator. It was honourable and useful throughout. He began the exercise of its functions, in the Commons, when agitation for law or any other reform was dangerous, on the one hand, to the innovator in a professional point of view, but led, on the other, to popularity. He ended it, in the Lords, when the current had changed ; the losing side had become the winning ; when insignificant men were still making such capital as they could out of innovation, but it had become very unfashionable with the more cultivated classes. It cannot be said that Denman was in the slightest degree swayed by either current of the times. On great questions, from Parliamentary Reform to the Jamaica Bill, he adhered to the traditions of his youth. On minor matters of legal reform (such as the defence of prisoners and examination of parties) he achieved much, from the mere simplicity and straightforwardness with which he met the sophistries of those "sons of Zeruiah," the lawyers, whom he had chiefly to encounter. He quitted the Bench at little over seventy, pronounced by a failure both of bodily and intellectual strength, through incessant toil —no man ever worked harder in sheer performance of duty, or overtasked a more vigorous constitution—that he could no longer expect to fill his great post as he deemed it ought to be filled. We can scarcely terminate our hasty notice of him more fitly than with an extract from the verses in which Sir Joseph Arnould himself—in the capacity, as he reminds us, of "poet laureate of the Home Circuit" in 1850—commemorated his retirement.

Calmly sedate and equably polite,
He felt no preference and he showed no slight :
Not prone to talk, but diligent to hear ;
Prompt and yet patient ; firm, but not severe ;
Not quick to wrath, but when did e me arose
To stir his lion nature from repose—
Some deed of baseness, cruelty, or shame
Swift shot the electric impulse through his frame ;
The grave brow lowered : the eye so calm and cool
Flashed sudden fire ; and forth in thunder to le !
The voice whose accents clothed with solemn awe
The indignant doom of violated law.

* "Memoir of Thomas, First Lord Denman." By Sir Joseph Arnould. 2 vols. (London : Longmans and Co. 1873.)

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